2014 Lightning Fatalities

In 2014, there were 26 lightning fatalities, 3 more than the 2013 total of 23 and down dramatically down from the 30 years average of 51. Florida numbered the most victims with 6, followed by Wisconsin with 3 deaths. In 2014, the most dangerous place to be was outside doing chores, fishing, boating or engaging in other non-team sports, where 12 people died (46%). The next most dangerous place was under a tree, where 7 deaths (27%) occurred. More than 4 times as many males, 21 (81%), as females, 5 (19%), were killed by lightning. The hardest hit age ranges were adults aged 40-49 (5 deaths) but lightning fatalities occurred in all but the 80+ category, a group that tends to be outside less.

State	BF	ВО	CA	EQ	GF	IW	ОТ	OU	TE	UT	Tota
AR (Arkansas)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
AZ (Arizona)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
CA (California)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
CO (Colorado)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
FL (Florida)	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	6
GA (Georgia)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
MA (Massachusetts)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
MI (Michigan)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	•
MO (Missouri)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
MS (Mississippi)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
NM (New Mexico)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
PA (Pennsylvania)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	
TX (Texas)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
WI (Wisconsin)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	;
Total	0	0	0	3	0	1	3	12	0	7	2
Percent	0.00	0.00	0.00	11.54	0.00	3.85	11.54	46.15	0.00	26.92	

2014 Lightning Fatalities by Age and Gender

	Legend
BF -	Ball Field
BO -	Boating
CA -	Camping
EQ -	Heavy Equipment/Construction
GF -	Golfing
IW -	In Water
OT -	Other
OU -	Outside/Open Areas
TE -	Telephone
UT -	Under Tree

	Female	Male	Unknown	Total	Percent
0 to 9	0	1	0	1	3.85
10 to 19	0	3	0	3	11.54
20 to 29	1	3	0	4	15.38
30 to 39	0	4	0	4	15.38
40 to 49	2	3	0	5	19.23
50 to 59	0	3	0	3	11.54
60 to 69	2	2	0	4	15.38
70 to 79	0	2	0	2	7.69
80 to 89	0	0	0	0	0.00
90 to	0	0	0	0	0.00
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0.00
Total	5	21	0	26	
Percent	19.23	80.77	0.00		